

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI
March 22, 2022

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date in the Council Chambers at 6:30 P.M. with Mayor Dan Rife presiding. Fire Chief Ryan Huntley gave the invocation and Police Chief Bill Hawkins led the flag salute.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Mike Daugherty, Ceri Otero, Alan Snow, Seth Thompson, Ed Barlow, Robin Harrison, and David Armstrong. Council Member Juan Topete and Craig Diggs were absent. City Administrator Tom Short and Assistant City Administrator Greg Dagnan were also present. City Attorney Nate Dally was absent.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Bill Hawkins, Fire Chief Ryan Huntley, Public Works Director Zeb Carney, Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson and City Clerk Traci Cox.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2022 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rife presented proclamations honoring the Joplin Police Officers, Bonne Terre Officer from Carthage, and a proclamation for Bill Hawkins 40-year anniversary with the City of Carthage

No citizens were present to speak during Citizen's Participation Period.

Mr. Snow reported the Budget Ways & Means Committee met on March 14 and reviewed capital requests. Resolution 1954 addresses the increase in fuel prices. Resolution 1955 appropriates funds for ARPA revenue.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance, Audit and Claims met on this date and approved the claims. Changes to Section 502 – Vacation of the personnel policy manual were approved.

Mr. Barlow reported the Public Safety Committee met on March 2. TYP Nutrition is hosting a 5K Run on June 4 that will benefit the Carthage Humane Society. They are requesting closure of the intersection at 3rd and Main and officer assistance at Main and Centennial. Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Harrison, to approve the request for June 4, 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Motion carried. Julie Reams with Carthage Chamber of Commerce requested closure of the square to traffic on Saturday, May 21 for activities in conjunction with Civil War Days. Activities include blacksmithing, black powder muzzle loading, food trucks, entertainment, pony rides and possible ax throwing. Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to close the square on May 21 from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for Civil War Days. Motion carried.

Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1958 – A Resolution providing authorization of appropriation of funds from the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, Missouri. This Resolution addresses appropriation of funds for an automatic CPR device. Resolution 1958 was adopted by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Daugherty, Harrison, Otero, Snow and Thompson.

Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1959 – A Resolution providing authorization of appropriation of funds from the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, Missouri. This Resolution addresses appropriation of funds for wi-fi in the Parks. Resolution 1959 failed by a roll call vote of 4 yeas and 3 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Harrison, Otero and Thompson. Nays: Barlow, Daugherty and Snow.

Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1960 – A Resolution providing authorization of appropriation of funds from the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, Missouri. This Resolution addresses appropriation of funds for Civic Experience software. Resolution 1960 was adopted by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Daugherty, Harrison, Otero, Snow and Thompson.

Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1961 – A Resolution providing authorization of appropriation of funds from the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, Missouri. This Resolution addresses appropriation of funds for Police Department mobile command truck. Resolution 1961 was adopted by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Daugherty, Harrison, Otero, Snow and Thompson.

Mr. Snow made a motion to appropriate the ARPA funds, but the language was already included in the previous Resolutions. Mr. Snow rescinded his motion.

During closing comments, Council Members congratulated Chief Hawkins for his years of service.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Dan Rife, Mayor

Traci Cox, City Clerk